



# ASHEVILLE AREA ARTS COUNCIL



## Professional Development Grants for Artists Grant Guidelines January 1 – June 1, 2017

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What will this grant fund?	Professional Development Grants for Artists offers support to individual artists to attend area organization's programming that expands their knowledge of sound business practices. Applicants must apply for an opportunity that specifically benefits the business management of the artist. Applications expanding an artist's skill or technique will not be considered.
Who can apply?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individual artists</li><li>• Must have been a resident of Buncombe County as of January 1, 2016</li><li>• Must be at least 18 years of age</li></ul>
How much funding is available?	We will award a total of \$3,000 during this grant cycle. Classes range in price so there is no maximum ask. These funds can only be used to cover the cost of the class. No funding for supplies will be awarded. Full or partial funding available.
When is funding available?	Funds are available January 1, 2017 for classes occurring between Jan. 1, 2017 – June 1, 2017.
When do I apply?	<b><u>Rolling deadline until May 15, 2017</u></b>  Review Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applications will be reviewed by the AAAC Staff</li><li>• Applicants will be notified within 2 weeks after application is received</li></ul>
How do I apply?	Application can be found at <a href="http://Ashevillearts.com">Ashevillearts.com</a>  <b><u>Grant Reports Due by June 16, 2017 by 5pm</u></b>
Who can I call with questions?	For questions regarding eligibility, criteria, and technical assistance: Janelle Wienke, Grants Manager 828.258.0710 <a href="mailto:Janelle@ashevillearts.com">Janelle@ashevillearts.com</a>

## **Introduction**

With the support of the City of Asheville, the AAAC Professional Development Grants for Artists offers funding for individual artists to attend area organization's programming that will expand their knowledge of sound business practices.

## **Grant Cycle**

This grant cycle for Professional Development Grants for Artists includes the period between January 1, 2017 through June 1, 2017. Activities must take place within this grant cycle. **No extensions will be given.**

## EXAMPLES OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

1. Mountain BizWork: 6 week Foundations Business Planning Class
2. AB-Tech: continuing education courses
3. Small Business Center: *Advanced Business Skills for Artists*
4. Carolina Small Business Fund: Create Your Best Year Yet, QuickBooks for Small Businesses

## **Eligibility**

To be eligible for a Professional Development Grant, the applicant must;

1. Be an individual artist
2. Live in Buncombe County as of January 1, 2016
3. Must be at least 18 years of age
4. Be applying for an opportunity that specifically benefits the business management of the artist.

## **Funding**

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Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until **May 15, 2017**

## **Application Review Process**

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- Applicants will be notified within 2 weeks after application is received

## **Submit to:**

- We encourage applicants to email applications to [janelle@ashevillearts.com](mailto:janelle@ashevillearts.com).
- If you are unable to submit via email please:
  - Mail to Asheville Area Arts Council PO BOX 507 Asheville NC 28802
  - Hand-deliver to Asheville Area Arts Council 207 Coxe Ave. Asheville, NC 28801

## **Grant Report required**

A grant report is required after the course. Grant reports are due by **June 16, 2017 by 5pm**. You may submit as soon as you complete the course to [Janelle@ashevillearts.com](mailto:Janelle@ashevillearts.com)